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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examining the above-identified application on the merits, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks below. Accompanying this Preliminary Amendment are:

- (a) Exhibit A, a marked up version of the replacement paragraphs of the specification;
- (b) Exhibit B, a marked up version of the amended claims; and
- (c) Exhibit C, a copy of the claims that will be pending after entry of the amendments made herein below.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 20, line 9, please replace the paragraph beginning "In certain embodiments," with the following paragraph:

In certain embodiments, the system gene coding sequences are to be inserted in a site in the characterizing gene sequences other than the 5' start site of the characterizing gene coding sequences, for example, in the 3' most translated or untranslated regions. In

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